Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, One of the basic rights of children, as set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by Eleanor Roosevelt in 1948, is their right to basic nutrition. Caring for the children must be our nation's first priority; and,

Whereas, Since the inception of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) in 1968, it has granted our children the best possible foundation in life and benefited many adults, which is vital to our state's long-term health; and,

Whereas, The two fundamental goals of the CACFP are that children serviced by this program will be well nourished during their crucial years, while concurrently learning healthy eating behaviors that will last their lifetime; and,

Whereas, Emotional, mental, and physical health originates with nutritious eating; and,

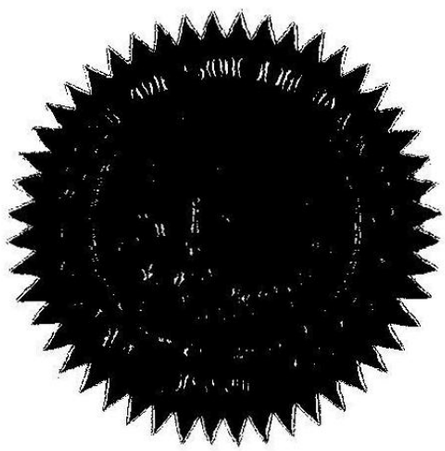
Whereas, We acknowledge the child and adult care providers, nutrition educators, program specialists and staff, state and federal professionals, and parents who contribute to the success of this outstanding program, the Child & Adult Care Food Program; and,

Whereas, The CACFP will continue its commitment to the goodness of nutritious eating for children and adults, and together, as Americans, we can make a difference in the lives of our children:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim this week of March 14-20, 2004, as

SOUTH DAKOTA CHILD & ADULT CARE FOOD PROGRAM WEEK

in South Dakota, and I encourage communities to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State